

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

**IN re: Bayou Hedge Fund Investment Litigation**

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### This Document Relates To:

**BROAD-BUSSEL FAMILY LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP, ET AL.,  
Individually and on Behalf of All Other Persons  
and Entities Similarly Situated,  
Plaintiffs,**

**V.**

**BAYOU GROUP, LLC, ET AL.,  
Defendants.**

**06 MDL 1755 (CM)**

**06 cv 3026 (CM)**

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**DEFENDANTS EQTY RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT, LLC, EQTY RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT LTD AND JEFFREY D. FOTTA'S STATUS REPORT IN ACCORD WITH THE COURT'S DIRECTIVE FILED JULY 8, 2008**

Defendants Eqty Research and Management, LLC, Eqty Research and Management LTD and Jeffrey D. Fotta submit this status report in response to the Court's directive filed on July 8, 2008.

The defendants Eqty Research and Management, LLC, Eqty Research and Management LTD and Jeffrey D. Fotta have reached an agreement-in-principle to settle, on an individual (i.e., non-class) basis, all of the claims asserted against them by the Broad-Bussel Plaintiffs. Presently, the parties are finalizing execution of the settlement documents. Accordingly, these defendants anticipate having all the claims against them dismissed in the near future.

Dated: July 15, 2008  
New Haven, CT

THE DEFENDANTS,  
EQYTY RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT, LLC,  
EQYTY RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT LTD,  
and JEFFREY D. FOTTA,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on July 15, 2008, a copy of the foregoing:

**DEFENDANTS EQYTY RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT, LLC, EQYTY  
RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT LTD AND JEFFREY D. FOTTA'S STATUS  
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/s/ Howard K. Levine

Howard K. Levine